(c) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(d) the action taken or proposed to be taken in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI) : (a) to (d) Government are aware about the news-item, but such reports could not be corroborated. However, in order to prevent any activities, inimical to the interests of India, by militants or ISI agents, Government has taken the following steps :

(i) Intensify policing on Indo-Nepal Border.

(ii) Enhance co-operation with Nepal—The 4th Meeting of the India Nepal Joint Working Group on Border Management was held on 28-29th June, 2001 at New Delhi. The two sides agreed to step up the two way flow of information on terrorist and criminal activities. They agreed to minimise cross border terrorism sponsored by militants outfits and other banned organisation etc.

(iii) Alert field formations from time to time to remain vigilant and to conduct periodical special operations.

White paper on Pakistan's nefarious activities in India

†4027. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL :

SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN' :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have sufficient proofs of Pakistan's support to sabotaging activities to create anarchy in India,

(b) if so, whether Government would issue a white paper on this issue to expose Pakistan's tactics throughout the world; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and if so, by when, the white paper is likely to be issued ?

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THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) to (c) Government is aware that Pakistan is involved in aiding abetting, supporting terrorism in various parts of the country. Various modules detected and neutralised by the security agencies indicate that Pakistan has been involved in backing subversive and espionage activities in the country.

Various aspects involved in bringing out a White Paper on Pak sponsored terrorism in India are presently under consideration of the Government.

People under house arrest under TADA

†4028. SHRI GOPALSINH G. SOLANKI :

SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether many people are still under house arrest under the Terrorist and Disruptive Activities (Prevention) Act (TADA);

(b) what is the number of people against whose the cases have not been registered yet and the numbers of people who have been prosecuted;

(c) whether the introduction of any law is under consideration as an alternative to TADA; and

(d) whether Government propose to introduce a similar Act for combating insurgency and terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir and North-Eastern States ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO) : (a) and (b) Since Law and Order is a State subject, the information/statistical details pertaining to TADA cases is not centrally maintained by the Ministry of Home Affairs.

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